I strongly OPPOSE the creation of more rules and/or regulations to address the supposed bandwidth problem. This would only serve to dampen the spirit of experimentation that has long been the mainstay of the amateur radio service. If there are a few individuals who are guilty of using poor operating practices, then maybe peer pressure or perhaps a little technical help is in order.

There are phone sub-bands that are extremely over crowded at times, and I personally believe that one solution would be to reallocate more spectrum to phone operation or totally eliminate sub-bands altogether. I am a 20 wpm Extra class licensee and I still use and love the CW mode, but my observation has been that there are vast amounts of band space going totally unused the majority of the time.

I conclude with the same thought I opened with – please dismiss the idea of adding any more regulations to appease the disgruntled few.

Respectfully yours,

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